(ii) The lessee shall not sublet the lease without the written permission of the District Forest Officer.

(iii) The lessee shall remove the produce before the end of June 1941 and anything left unremoved thereafter shall remain at the disposal of the Department.

(iv) The lessee shall hold himself repsonsible for any fire that may caused by negligence by himself or his watchmen and shall render all assistance in putting it out.

(v) The lessee or his watchmen shall not enter the State Forests either before sunrise or after sunset.

(vi) The lessee shall be bound to maintain accounts of the removal of these produce and to render them to the Range Forest Officer, every month during the course of operation.

(vii) The produce shall not be removed without being covered by a passport issued by the Forest Range Officer.

(viii) In the event of breach of any of these conditions, the lease will be cancelled and the security already furnished forfeited in whole or in part at the discretion of the District Forest Officer, whose order will be final.

*Note.*—Interest at 6¼ per cent per annum will be levied on all arrears of amounts permitted to be paid after the due date.

D. NARASIMHAMOORTHY RAO,
*District Forest Officer.*

## SHIMOGA FOREST DIVISION.

*Notification dated 21st June 1940.*

Notice is hereby given that sealed tenders will be received at the Office of the District Forest Officer, Shimoga Division, Shimoga, up to 2 P.M. on the 17th July 1940, for collecting, rough-dressing and preparing dead sandalwood and ground-hidden roots in all the ranges of the division and carting the same to the Koti during the year 1940-41 as detailed in the following table:—

| Sl. No. | Name of Range | | Where to be carted | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Tons. | | |
| 1 | Ayanur Range | 25 | Shimoga Koti | More or less. |
| 2 | Ripponpet Range | 5 | | |
| 3 | Hanagere Range | 5 | | |
| 4 | Shankar Range | 5 | | |
| 5 | Sacrebyle Range | 5 | | |
| 6 | Tirthahalli Range | 100 | | |
| 7 | Shimoga Municipal Limits | 5 | | |
| | Total | 150 | | |

1. The contract will be up to 30th June 1941 from the date of execution of the bond.

2. Tenders may be submitted either separately for each Range or for any number of Ranges together, and should specify the rate per ton offered separately for sandalwood and separately for ground-hidden roots.

3. Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 50 (rupees fifty) for each Range in Currency Notes as earnest money, in default of which the tender will be rejected. Covers containing the tender should be addressed to the District Forest Officer, Shimoga Division, Shimoga, duly registered, insured and superscribed *Tender for the Collection and Carting of Sandalwood and Ground-hidden Roots.*

4. The final acceptance of any tender will rest with the Conservator of Forests, Shimoga, who does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender and to assign any reason whatsoever for rejecting the same.

5. The acceptance of any tender will be duly communicated to the successful tenderer and the earnset money of other tenderers will be returned to them.

6. The successful tenderer shall execute a bond on a proper stamped paper embodying the terms enumerated herein below within fifteen days of the receipt of the orders and shall deposit in Government Savings Bank a sum of Rs. 50 as earnest money for the due fulfilment of the terms of the contract. The deposit referred to here shall also include the earnest money referred to in para 4 *supra.*

*Conditions.*

(*a*) The collection of dead sandalwood and ground-hidden roots shall be extended to all State Forests, District Forests, Amrut Mahal Kavals, assessed and unassessed Government waste lands and to such of Inam, Jodi, Kayamgutta and Sarvamanya villages the holders of which are not entitled to the sandalwood either by sannads or judicial decrees.

(*b*) With regard to the removal of sandalwood from private holdings, only such of the trees as have been marked by the departmental subordinates shall be removed with the previous written permission of the Range Officer.

(*c*) The collection shall be confined to dead, fallen and decaying sandal trees and to ground-hidden roots. On no account shall green and mature trees be uprooted. Axes should not, as far as possible, be used in the uprootal and rough preparation of sandalwood.

(*d*) The sandalwood uprooted shall be roughly dressed in the jungle leaving a thin layer of less than half an inch of whitewood and shall be carted to the Koti. Each consignment to the Koti shall be covered by a passport issued by the departmental subordinates.

(*e*) The contractor shall further bind himself to collect and cart two-thirds of the contracted quantity before the end of December 1940 and the balance by 30th June 1941.

(*f*) The successful tenderer shall see that no injury is caused to the State Forest or property situated therein in the course of his operations and in the event of any such occurrence through his negligence or of his men, he shall be made liable as per departmental rules.

(*g*) Should the collection and carting of sandalwood to the Koti be found unsatisfactory, the District Forest Officer will immediately cancel the contract and shall make other arrangements for working out the contracted quantity at the risk of the contractor.

(*h*) For the breach of any or all of the above conditions, the contractor shall forfeit the earnest money referred to in para 7 *supra* and portion of moneys due to him for collection and carting of Sandalwood made and not disbursed.

(*i*) Payment of charges shall be made as per procedure now in practice upon the sandalwood and ground-hidden roots received in the Koti and duly weighed out there and for which Koti receipt is produced on bills supported by the Koty receipts and certified by the Koti Officer.

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*Notification dated 21st June 1940.*

Notice is hereby given that sealed tenders will be received at the Office of the District Forest Officer, Shimoga, up to 2 P.M., for the carting of sandalwood in Shimoga Division during the year 1940-41.

| Particulars of work | From | To | Distance | Approximate Quantity | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Carting of prepared wood. | Shimoga Koti .. | Shimoga Town Railway Station. | 1 Mile | 300 Tons | More or less |
| 2. Carting of rough wood. | Shimoga Railway Station. | Shimoga Koti .. | do | 150 ,, | Do |

*N.B.*—(i) The quantity of wood to be carted as noted above is approximate, which may be increased or decreased at the discretion of the District Forest Officer.

(ii) Carting of good wood includes weighing in the Sandal koti counting the billets, loading and unloading from carts and loading into wagons.

(iii) In the case of chiltas, it also includes preparation and repairs of double gunny bags, filling chiltas in bags and duly stitching them afterwards includes the cost of bags.

(iv) In the case of carting of rough wood, it includes the unloading from waggons, carting to Shimoga Koti and staking at 10 tons each after weighment.

2. Tenders should be registered, insured and superscribed as "tender for the carting of sandalwood from.....Koti to Shimoga Railway Station and loading into wagons." The tender should be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 50 in currency notes. The rate to be quoted should be per ton of sandalwood acknowledged by the Factory.

3. The Conservator of Forests, Shimoga, will be at liberty to accept or reject the lowest tender without assigning any reason therefor.

4. Within fifteen days from the date of intimation of the fact of approval, the successful tenderer shall furnish a security of Rs. 200 including the initial deposit, in clause (2) above in the shape of Mysore Government Savings Bank Account, duly pledged in favour of the District Forest Officer, Shimoga Division, and execute an agreement binding himself to observe the following conditions :—

*Conditions.*

(*a*) That he will be ever ready during the period of contract, to provide the required number of carts for the despatch of sandalwood whenever called upon.

(*b*) That in case of failure on his part to furnish the required number of carts at the required time, the Officer in charge of the Koti may make his own arrangements for despatch of the wood, making the contractor liable to pay up the extra cost, if any, that may have to be incurred. The contract will also be liable for cancellation at the discretion of the District Forest Officer on account of such default.

(c) The loading and unloading of sandalwood will be done so as not to give room for leakage or damage of sandalwood and that in either case, the contractor will be liable to the department for the loss so sustained.

(d) That all the loaded carts will leave the Koti at the same time and move on, in one batch, under the supervision of the departmental subordinates to be deputed to guard the consignment.

(e) That the cartmen do not smoke, either in the Koti or while the sandalwood is in transit and that in case of danger to the sandalwood by fire, the contractor will be liable to the department for damages.

(f) That his coolies and cartmen will submit to the disciplinary measures that may have to be enforced by the Koti Officer during the working hours.

(g) That, for failure to fulfil all or any of the foregoing conditions, the contractor will be liable for such fine as the District Forest Officer at his discretion may levy forfeiting the security deposit to Government.

(h) The contractor shall agree to the rounding off of payments of bills into annas and rupees as per rules in force. Payment of charges will be made once a month on bills supported by duplicate passports certified by the Shimoga Koti Officer, that the kinds and quantities have been received intact and loaded on wagons, the numbers of which as also Railway receipt No. and date should be given.

(i) The payments will be made on the quantity acknowledged by the Officer-in-charge of Sandal Oil Factory, Mysore, or Bangalore Koti as the case may be.

M. A. MUTHANNA,
*District Forest Officer.*

## SAGAR FOREST DIVISION.

*Notification dated 12th June 1940.*

It is hereby notified for general information that sealed tenders will be received at the Office of the District Forest Officer, Sagar, up to 2 P.M. on 26th July 1940, for the annual clearing of the demarcation lines of the following forests of the Division during the year 1940-41.

2. Tenders should be submitted in the form given below showing the rates per mile at which the lines will be cleared and the debris burnt.

3. Each tender must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 50 in Government Currency notes as earnest money and must be sealed and superscribed as "Tender for the annual clearing of the demarcation lines of the Forests in the Sagar Division," failing which it will be rejected.

4. Final acceptance or otherwise of the tender will rest with the District Forest Officer, who does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any other tender and reserves to himself the right to reject any tender without assigning any reason therefor.

5. Within eight days from the date of intimation of the acceptance of the tender, the successful tenderer will be required to execute an agreement on a stamped paper of proper value, failing which his offer will be cancelled and the earnest money forfeited.

6. The earnest money of the successful tenderers will be retained as security for the due fulfilment of the conditions of the agreement and returned after the termination of the period of contract, and that of others returned after the results of the tenders are announced.

7. The tenderer must quote rates per mile for each Forest.

*Further Conditions.*

(a) The standard width of all the demarcation lines is generally 66 feet unless otherwise stated and of the enclosures 33 feet. This width should be maintained and any deviation guarded against by clearing 10 feet guide lines on either side of the line, leaving an intervening space of 46 feet. All grass and re-growth must be cut level with the ground and the debris removed and heaped in the middle of the line. The guide lines must not be burnt but cleared of all inflammable materials by sweeping. The space between the two guide lines must be cleared and burnt under the supervision of the local Range Officer.

(b) The clearing of the re-growth should be completed by 15th December and burning completed by the 15th February 1941. On no account should the burning be done after that date.

(c) During the course of the operation (from the beginning to end), the contractor shall be guided by the Range Officer in-charge of the Range. He will be held personally responsible for all acts of himself and his men against the rules of the department. The security furnished by him is liable to be forfeited in whole or in part, as the case may be, for the breach of any of the conditions of agreement or acts committed in contravention of the rules besides taking action departmentally.